

### **So, come and go as you please, here's hoping!**

Our last meet at Hadstock was for the brave (blustery wind-uncertain direction) Gerry brought along his Tornado, which refused to go, and spluttered to a halt quite a few times until Arthur (forgetting his recent electrician) called upon past black arts to make the engine behave! Soon all was well and Gerry had a good fly, the Tornado handled the wind very well, and stormed about the sky with its engine on full song! Even Arthur had a happy grin, and was heard to mutter "you never forget the old skills!" (I do quite often, like forgetting to put up my aerial when I go back to 35! Remembering just in time, thank goodness.

Dave had a few problems with his vintage? Wot 4 engine. But was convinced that the problem lay with the tank /pipe layout, and went home to fix it, rather than fiddle about in the Hadstock dust (which finds its way into pipes and engines quite quickly!)

Linda on the other hand tackled the windy conditions very well with her Foamie Wot 4, and Peter flew well in the wind with his ST electric glider, which survived in conditions it was not designed for, (Pete doesn't bother with instructions – he just does it!) Good luck to him!

Unsurprisingly Mark didn't notice ANY wind with his huge 1/3 scale Suchoi, which just went straight up, and charged about with the petrol twin groaning away!

Jason and Jack had quite a few flights with the "Arising Star" which features the well tried shoulder wing stability, and seemed to fly almost as well as Jason's pattern ship, although the knife-edge performance of the pattern ship was quite exceptional.

Paul brought along his large scale Mustang, which unfortunately had a leak in the air retracts system, which Paul managed to fix, so that it only leaked when the legs were down. So we were treated to a fly past (which is always worth watching when Paul does it).

One of our newest members, (Paul with the good eyes, who saved the "Don" from destruction) was reluctant to venture forth with his "High Boy", but will no doubt have a go when the weather is more suitable. I left my MX2 in the car, as it was not recommended to fly in winds above 10 mph. However, I tried it another time (with Alan Wild) in similar conditions, and it was no problem at all, apart from being just a tad small and enthusiastic with it! So, I have no excuse for not getting on with it, provided I bring the right glasses with me! It would appear that my old glasses are better for distance use, so it pays to try various things, as it all adds to the fun "H, m, m (and the sales of Gorilla glue!) .. Cheers Dears, Mike